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The Hon. Sri C. SUBRAMANIAM : (a) to (c) The Government have sanctioned grants to the following Universities for the institution of Lectureship or Readership in Tamil for a period of five years :—

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Allahabad	...	4,000	per annum.
Delhi	...	10,000	
Osmania	...	10,000	

No proposal or application for assistanpce to other Universities is under consideration.

Sri K. BALASUBRAMANYA AYYAR : Has any action been taken?

The Hon. Sri C. SUBRAMANIAM : After taking action only, they have appointed lecturers and readers.

Vidwan T. MUTHUKANNAPPAN : *மானியம் அளிப்பதற்கு ஏதாவது நிபந்தனைகள் விதிக்கப்பட்டிருக்கின்றனவா ?*

The Hon. Sri C. SUBRAMANIAM : *நிபந்தனைகள் ஒன்றும் இல்லை. தமிழ் சொல்லிக் கொடுப்பதற்கு ஏற்பாடு பண்ணுகிறோம்.*

Vidwan T. MUTHUKANNAPPAN : *இந்தத் தமிழ் வகுப்பு நன்றாக நடைபெறுகிறதா என்று கண்காணிப்பதற்கு ஏதாவது நடவடிக்கை எடுக்கப்பட்டிருக்கிறதா ?*

The Hon. Sri C. SUBRAMANIAM : *இதை யுனிவர்ஸிடி நடத்துகிறது. கண்காணிப்பது என்பது இல்லை. அவர்கள் சரியாகச் செய்வார்கள் என்ற நம்பிக்கை இருக்கிறது.*

Inspection of Ice Plants

* 8 *Q*.—Dr. A SREENIVASAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether any arrangements for the periodical inspection of plants for the manufacture of ice cream in the State have been made, and if so, what they are;

(*b*) the number of prosecutions launched in 1959-60 against ice cream manufacturers for deviating from the Public Health Rules; and

(*c*) to place on the table of the House copies of Inspection Reports?

The Hon. Sri M. A. MANICKAVELU : (*a*) The Health Department staff inspect places of manufacture of foodstuffs, and ice cream plants are inspected during such inspections with a view to ensure that ice cream products are prepared in hygienic conditions. In Madras City, hotels and ice cream parlours manufacturing ice cream and ice candy are inspected weekly by the Assistant Health Officers and Sanitary Inspectors with a view to

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ensure that the products are manufactured on hygienic lines and the containers used for keeping them are maintained in scrupulously sanitary condition.

(*b*) No prosecutions have been launched against ice cream vendors in Madras City during 1959-60. As regards mufassal particulars are not readily available.

(*c*) No separate or individual reports have been prescribed.

DR. A. SREENIVASAN : Is it a fact, Sir, that inspections are not periodically made by the Health Officers thereby giving rise to serious epidemics of diseases affecting the alimentary tract due to the selling of ice cream? 3-10 p.m.

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : It is rather unfortunate that the hon. doctor probably gets more of such cases (laughter), but generally it is not so. Now I may state that action is being taken to bring this trade under licence. The Director of Public Health is also proposing to issue a special circular to all Health Officers to inspect such places periodically.

DR. A. SREENIVASAN : Sir, as the Hon. Minister has stated that periodical inspections have been made by the Assistant Health Officers and Sanitary Inspectors, will he be pleased to lay on the table of the House the reports of those officers regarding the inspection of places where ice cream is being made?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : I read in my answer that no reports have been prescribed. So, there will be no reports available.

DR. A. SREENIVASAN : How are we to believe that inspection was made, when no report of the inspection is available with the Minister?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : It is a routine function of the Health Officers, and they do it.

DR. A. SREENIVASAN : Is there no such thing as maintenance of diaries by these officers, from where extracts could be taken as reports?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : As I said, no such report has been prescribed for this particular thing. That is why I said ' We are contemplating how best to bring this trade under licence '.

SRI MOHAMED RAZA KHAN : Sir, is it a fact that recently the Government of Madras have issued a notification that ice cream and other allied products should not be sold in the vicinity of high schools?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : Yes, Sir. That is so, because we want to make a beginning at least with the schools and see that ice cream and other allied products are not sold before the schools.

MR. CHAIRMAN : Questions are over.